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Many of the inhabitants of Nightopia soon found themselves under the spell of the evil Wizeman as his power started to grow, but one managed to escape - - NiGHTS. Unlike Wizeman's other Nightmarens, NiGHTS' personality and insubordination have earned him Wizeman's wrath. Wizeman retaliated by casting a spell on NiGHTS which confines him to the space of a dream. Once released by either Claris or Elliot, he will be able to aid them in the land of Nightopia. Together they will try to Nightmaren from making reality into a pit of despair. Dressed in a brightly colored suit with a for Elliot and Claris. Each world is created out of

heir dream energy.

Although both of them can wander freely around, they will only be able to defeat the evil powers of Wizeman by jumping into the palace, freeing NiGHTS as they become NiGHTS.



NIGHTOPIANS

These are the small, innocent creatures who live in Nightopia. With a pair of pink wings and a halo around their heads they are quite angelic.

It was one of these creatures that

managed to escape from
the evil clutches of Wizeman and beg Elliot for
help. Nightopians are carefree, happy inhabitants
of Nightopia. The sole reason for their existence is
to have fun. Because they are
incapable of doing anything else

(unless there is a certain degree of fun attached to it), they have no need to work together or to cooperate towards a common goal. As a result, they have no leader. What they do have is the

ability to see the consciousness of
each visitor (dreamers from our world). When
visitors arrive, the Nightopians can see their
consciousness and recreate the happy world that is







CLARIS SINCLAIR

The heroine of the story. Claris Sinclair has always dreamt of being a singer on the stage. The bright lights, makeup and glamour of a theatrical singer's lifestyle seems like the ideal life for her. She can often be found

like the ideal life for her. She can often be found around the house singing away to herself, but is desperate for a chance to prove to her family that she has what it takes to make it big. Today is that day. A singing audition she knows she must participate in. The stage lights flare on and her heart begins to race. Can she really go through with it? She knows that she has the talent, but what about her nerve? As she steps up to the microphone, something's not quite right.

The directors are all waiting, watching her every move when a small voice in her head speaks up, "Everyone will laugh at you. You're going to make a fool of yourself!" The seconds pass and the voice grows louder. This is the last thing poor Claris needs. Unable to bear it any longer, she runs off stage.

ELLIOT EDWARDS

Elliot Edwards is a big basketball fan. His bedroom is covered with posters of his favorite team and he loves to play the game with his pals after school. One afternoon, the boys from another school hijacked their game and began to show off their superior skills, laughing at the pathetic attempts of the others. Among them was Roger who stole the ball from Elliot, took it down the court and slam dunked it. In Elliot's mind, he saw himself as a failure. He couldn't even play his favorite sport and would never make it in the world of basketball. He walked home alone.





NEXT MONTH: THE VILLAINS